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TAGS: MASS, CE

SUBJECT: SRI LANKA NAVY INTEREST IN PURCHASE OF U.S.  
COSTAL PATROL BOATS

REF: USDAO COLOMBO 63 FEB 76

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED OF REQUEST TO DATT FROM SRI LANKA NAVY COMMANDER FOR PRICE QUOTATIONS ON FIVE U.S.-MADE COASTAL PATROL BOATS. WE NEED FURTHER CLARIFICATION AS IT WAS OUR IMPRESSION THAT, FOLLOWING A PROLONGED AND SEARCHING REVIEW IN 1973-74, GSL HAD DECIDED THAT PURCHASE OF SIMILAR VESSEL FROM THE U.S. WAS IMPRACTICABLE (COLOMBO 2341, 2 AUG 74). IN ADDITION, GSL SUBSEQUENTLY RECEIVED SOVIET OSA CLASS PATROL BOAT.

2. EMBASSY'S VIEWS ARE REQUESTED. KISSINGER

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